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Extract from the Staff Meeting Minutes of 26 February 1979:

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Suggesting items to emphasize in this month's Monthly Trends memo, Lehman noted that analysts now doubt that Khomeini and Bazargan have sufficient control to retain power in Iran. Furthermore, if Khomeini goes to Qom and disbands his committee, the situation is likely to deteriorate. Secondly, a new round of serious fighting is expected to break out in Lebanon in March or April. Christian forces appear to be preparing themselves for such an outbreak. The Director suggested that the above two items seemed too urgent to be included in the Monthly Trends report, and Lehman suggested that Alert Memoranda be considered instead. He added

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The Director noted that he requested a representative from CTS to accompany him today on a visit to the China/Vietnam task force to discuss collection requirements.

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[REDACTED] The Director asked NFAC to have OSR and other appropriate offices examine the Soviet/Chinese border area and outline whatever options may be available to the Soviets. (Action: NFAC) [REDACTED]

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RM
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The Director asked [] to have the RM Staff work with NFAC and others as appropriate to determine the cost of SALT monitoring. Mr. Carlucci noted that this item had been included in the CIA budget book.
(Action: RM) []

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The Director highlighted this morning's Cabinet meeting, including the following items of interest:

--The President highlighted the status of the Camp David Middle East negotiations. [redacted]

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[redacted] He believed that other Arab nations will accept a treaty, once signed. (Mr. Carlucci noted that this differed with the Presidential briefing he and Bowie planned to deliver tomorrow. In response to the Director's suggestion that they try to temper the Administration's optimism, Mr. Carlucci asked NFAC to focus on this question, particularly as it relates to Syria and Iraq) (Action: NFAC) [redacted]

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